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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE ____ MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 September 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date ____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: ____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) The invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claim1-6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Yoshio et al. (patent number US 5,936,925).

Regarding claim1, Yoshio et al (hereinafter Yoshio) anticipates a data editing method for editing MPEG-2 transport stream data recorded on a disk form recording medium having a plurality of sectors, the data editing method comprising: detecting a common boundary position which is located before one of a divide position and a combine position in data designated, and meets a packet boundary and a sector boundary (see figure 6 boundary of packs); and performing one of a dividing process and a combining process for the data at the common boundary position as a reference (see figure6 division boundary).

Regarding claim2, Yoshio anticipates a data editing method according to claim1, wherein data between the designated divide position and the detected common boundary position is overwritten with dummy packet data (see column15 line 51-62).

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Regarding claim3, Yoshio anticipates a data editing method according to claim 2, wherein the dummy packet data is one of private data and NULL packet data where data expansion is not performed (see column15 line 51-62).

Regarding claim4, A data editing method according to claim1, wherein: one part of the data subjected to the dividing process is managed based on information showing a start position of the data, and information showing a data size from the start position to the common boundary position (see figure6 boundary of pack and column15 line 51-62); and the other part of the data subjected to the dividing process is managed based on information showing the common boundary position, and information showing a data size from the common boundary position to an end position of the data (see column15 line 51-62).

Regarding claim5, data editing method according to claim1, wherein the data subjected to the combining process is managed based on information showing a start position of one part of the data, and information showing a data size from the start position to the common boundary position and a data size from a start Position of the other part of the data to an end position (see figure6 and column15 line 51-62).

Regarding claim6, a data editing method according to claim1, wherein data between the designated combine position and the detected common boundary position is discarded (see column25 line 31-40).

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Girumsew Wendmagegn whose telephone number is 571-270-1118. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30-5:00, M-F, alternate Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tran Thai can be reached on (571)272-7382. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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